# FISCAL NOTE

## **HJR 864**

March 14, 2006

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Urges the Department of Environment and Conservation, in consultation with the Department of Health, to study allegations of environmental racism in the Eno Road community of Dickson.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Other Fiscal Impact – If the intent of this resolution is implemented, there will be a one-time increase in state expenditures exceeding \$400,000.

### Assumptions:

- Two separate studies will be required. The Department of Health will conduct the health screening portion of the study. The Department of Environment and Conservation will be responsible for the environmental racism portion of the study.
- The Department of Health will need approximately \$280,000 to conduct the study.
- The Department of Environment and Conservation will need in excess of \$120,000 to conduct the study.
- The Department of Health will require an epidemiologist to conduct the study.
- The Department of Health will need two nurses for a three-month period to conduct the study.
- The Department of Health will need 25 interviewers for a six-week period to conduct the study.
- Both departments indicated that they will need approximately two years to conduct the study. If the study is conducted, the resolution requires the study to be presented to the Senate Environment, Conservation, and Tourism Committee and the House Conservation and Environment Committee before March 1, 2007.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director